

Notice of Allowability

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Examiner

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Applicant(s)

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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 6/24/2005.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-18.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☒ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☒ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.

Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☒ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date 1/04,3/05
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☒ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date 9/22/05.
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☐ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☒ Other prior art labled drawings.


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DETAILED ACTION

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR

1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Carl I. Brundidge on September 22, 2005.

The application has been amended as follows:

- In the drawing, **FIG. 6-13** have been designated by a legend --**Prior Art** - - (see attached)
- **Claim 1**, line 18, "**said carriers**" has been replaced with -- **said plurality of predetermined carriers** - -
- **Claim 1**, line 19, "**listed**" has been replaced with -- **limited** - -
- **Claim 1**, line 20, "**lower and upper**" has been inserted between "both" and "ends"
- **Claim 2**, line 2, "**said carriers**" has been replaced with -- **said plurality of carriers** - -
- **Claim 3**, line 3, "**having a transmission band**" has been inserted between "signals," and "including"
- **Claim 3**, line 14, "**said carriers**" has been replaced with -- **said plurality of predetermined carriers** - -
- **Claim 3**, line 20, "**said carriers**" has been replaced with -- **said plurality of carriers** - -
- **Claim 7**, line 21, "**said carriers**" has been replaced with -- **said plurality of predetermined carriers** - -

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- **Claim 7**, line 23, “**lower and upper**” has been inserted between “both” and “ends”
- **Claim 8**, line 2, “**said carriers**” has been replaced with -- **said plurality of carriers** - -
- **Claim 9**, line 18, “**said carriers**” has been replaced with -- **said plurality of predetermined carriers** - - 3
- **Claim 9**, line 22-23, “**said carriers**” has been replaced with -- **said plurality of carriers** - -
- **Claim 11**, line 18, “**lower and upper**” has been inserted between “both” and “ends”
- **Claim 12**, line 23-24, “**said carriers**” has been replaced with -- **said plurality of predetermined carriers** - -
- **Claim 12**, line 25, “**lower and upper**” has been inserted between “both” and “ends”

Response to Arguments

2. Applicant’s arguments, see pages 16-20, filed 6/24/2005, with respect to amended claims 1,2,7,8,11, and 12 have been fully considered and are persuasive. The rejections of claims 1,2,7,8,11, and 12 have been withdrawn.

Allowable Subject Matter

3. Claims 1-18 are allowed.

Conclusion

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Ian N. Moore whose telephone number is 571-272-3085. The examiner can normally be reached on 9:00 AM- 6:00 PM.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Chau Nguyen can be reached on 571-272-3126. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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